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## REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct minor grammatical errors. no new matter has been entered.

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Claims 1, 8 and 14-18 have been amended to specify that the order is received in image data form. Support is found, e.g., at page 15 of the specification.

Turning to the rejection of claims 1-18 under 35 USC §102 as anticipated by Garfinkle et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,512,570), is in error. Independent claim 1 requires a headquarters terminal that includes "a receiver for receiving an image data order from said orderer terminal transmitted via said network and a transmitter for transmitting the order received by said receiver to a producing/processing terminal via said network." Garfinkle et al. does not teach these features. Garfinkle et al. teaches images that are uploaded to an image server via an upload interface A and viewed by a separate interface B. According to Garfinkle et al., these interfaces access a database to manage the image server 16 (Column 7, lines 6-65). Nowhere does Garfinkle et al. teach a single headquarters terminal that has a receiver for receiving orders from an orderer terminal and a transmitter for transmitting the order to the producing/processing terminal, thereby managing image data. Thus, Garfinkle et al. cannot anticipate independent claim 1, or dependent claims 2-14 which depend directly or indirectly thereon. Independent claims 15-18 contain similar claim language and are similarly allowable over the art.

The foregoing amendment makes no claim changes that would require further search by the Examiner. Accordingly, entry of the foregoing amendment, and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

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